



September 3, 2017 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Our Lady of Grace Church

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg | A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust  
1011 Mt. Pleasant Road | Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601

## Liturgical Schedule

*Weekend Masses:* Saturday Vigil: 4 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 8 & 10:30 a.m. (Interpreted Mass for the Deaf & Hard-of-Hearing)  
*Weekday and Holy Day Masses:* Please see inside bulletin.



## Parish Picnic 2017

Parish Office.....724-838-9480  
**Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.**  
 Parish website: [www.ourladyofgracechurch.org](http://www.ourladyofgracechurch.org)  
 Aquinas Academy.....724-834-7940  
 St. Vincent de Paul Helpline.....724-837-5154  
 St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank.....724-836-0175  
 Albanese Hall.....724-836-8157  
[www.facebook.com/OLGGreensburgPA/](http://www.facebook.com/OLGGreensburgPA/)

**Rev. Daniel L. Blout, Pastor**  
**Rev. Ryan C. Ravis, Parochial Vicar**  
**Rev. Tyler J. Bandura, in Residence**

**Marisa Cazden,**  
*Music Minister*  
**Bob Chappell,**  
*Youth Minister*  
**Katrina Coleman,**  
*Director of Parish Formation & Evangelization*  
**Kelly Dembiczak,**  
*Coordinator of Parish Faith Formation*



**Aurelia Sabol,**  
*Business Manager*  
**Don Sabol,**  
*Maintenance*  
**Dorothy Skoloda,**  
*Secretary*  
**Donna Stewart,**  
*Secretary*  
**Tom Stumpo,**  
*Maintenance Supervisor*

## Mission Statement

Our Lady of Grace, founded in 1910 as an Italian ethnic parish, is now a territorial parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Greensburg to which all people are welcome. The responsibility of each member of Our Lady of Grace is to hear the Word of God and live it by sharing in worship, especially at Eucharist; by nurturing our Catholic faith through formation and prayer; by reaching out to identify and serve the needs of our parish and the community; and by welcoming others into our faith community. Through our actions, we strive to share, and to encourage others to share, in the fullness of God's kingdom.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday afternoon, 3-3:30 p.m.

### Baptisms

By appointment only. Please call the parish office at least four months in advance of the birth. A class for parents is required to reflect on the meaning of the sacrament, to review the ceremony, and to highlight the importance of the family's commitment to practicing the Catholic Faith.

### Sponsorship Forms

Forms for our members to serve as sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation must be filled out in person at the Parish Office. To serve as a sponsor, you must be at least 16 years old and a practicing Catholic who has received Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If you are married, it must be within the guidelines of the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment to fill out the form.

### Weddings

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance. Do not set a date until you have contacted the parish priest. Pre-marriage preparation classes are required and are available in a couple of forms.

In your charity of prayers, please remember Hildegarde Eastland, mother of Maria (Rocco) Panucci, who recently passed away. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, continue their journey to new life in the presence of God in the heavenly kingdom.

**Prayers of Intercession** ~ This form of prayer is prayer on behalf of others. This form of prayer can be a source of blessing upon others, the Church and our world. Mary, the Mother of God, and the saints intercede for us before God. This form of prayer often gives us strength, love, courage and peace. If you wish to share in this experience, there will be a group of parishioners in the Daily Chapel to pray with individuals for their personal intentions, next Sunday, September 10, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**Celebrating the work of our hands** ~ This Monday, September 4, is the national holiday of Labor Day. This is a day set aside to express our gratitude to God for giving us an opportunity to use our brawn and our talents to live fruitfully in this world. It is also a time to remember those less fortunate than ourselves – the jobless, the people on strike, etc. Even though this is a special vacation day, plan to begin your activities by thanking God for His continued blessings and graces upon the work of our hands.



*Lord, give success to the work of our hands. Fill us at daybreak with Your kindness that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. Let your work be seen by your servants. Ask Your glory by their children. Amen.*

**LABOR DAY REGIONAL MASS** will be held on Monday, September 4, 9 a.m., at St. Benedict Church. This will be the only Mass celebrated in the region on this day. All are welcome to attend.

**The Parish Office will be CLOSED  
on Monday, September 4,  
in observance of LABOR DAY.**

*Thank you* to all who volunteered their *time, talent and treasure* to make our parish picnic a success.

Good food, fun and fellowship was shared by all. Check-out our Facebook page for photos of our picnic.

The following won baskets at our raffle:

Riley Campbell	Donna Christopher	Kay Deise
Theresa Rose	Judy Steving	Lyn Drylie
Megan Jankovic	JoAnn Scarano	Gib Gray
Alyssa Acevedo	Anthony Schietroma	Ron Drylie
Sue Svetkovich	Susan Adams	Patty Zello
	Cindy Hoffman	

The following were winners of the \$500 drawings:

Karen Murray	Deb Newman	Tony Uliano
Lara Pleins	Jeanne Adams	

**Kindergarten Leader/Assistant Needed** ~ We are still in need of two volunteers for our Kindergarten group for Children's Formation in the fall – one person to lead the group and one to assist. The sessions take place during the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday mornings, approximately twice per month. All lesson plans and materials will be provided for you. Please contact Kelly Dembiczak at [kdembiczak@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:kdembiczak@dioceseofgreensburg.org) if you are interested or would like more information.

**Every time we celebrate a national holiday**, we should remember that we enjoy ourselves because others, namely the ones in our armed services, are protecting and defending us and our way of life around the world. Statistically, at least one-fourth of American military members are Catholic. It is estimated that some 50,000 American Catholics are now deployed in harm's way. Please keep them in your prayers always by praying the following prayer whenever you can.

#### PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.*

*Protect them as they protect us.*

*Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need and give us peace.*

*I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.*

*Amen.*

We will be publishing a prayer list of friends and family of Our Lady of Grace parishioners who are currently serving in the military. If you would like a name to be added to our prayer list, please call the parish office or email [dsko-loda@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:dsko-loda@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or [dstewart@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:dstewart@dioceseofgreensburg.org).

## Our Lady of Grace Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Novena Prayers to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal



"Spend as much time as possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament and He will fill you with His strength and His power." -Mother Teresa

**Nine Consecutive Thursdays  
6 - 7 p.m.  
September 21-November 16**

**Exposition at 6 p.m.  
Novena at 6:30 p.m.  
Benediction at 7 p.m.**

### COURTESY NOTES

The **Knights of Columbus** is devoted to the support of the Church and dedication to the five parishes within the boundaries of their Greensburg Council 1480. It has been very active in parish, diocese, family, youth and community activities. In order to continue its support of the Church and to expand its many works of charity, the K of C will be having a recruitment drive in our parish at the Masses on the weekend of September 16-17. Membership is open to any man 18 years of age or older. To learn more about the Greensburg Council refer to its website at [knights1480.com](http://knights1480.com) or discuss the benefits of membership with one of its members during the recruitment drive.

**Clelian Heights School**, Old Route 66, Greensburg, is holding its 20th Annual Wholey's Old-Fashioned Chicken Barbecue, Sunday, September 17, 1-5 p.m. Eat-in or take-out. Pre-purchased tickets for \$13. Walk-in tickets will be \$15. Dinner includes Wholeys half-chicken/potatoes/vegetable/applesauce/roll/butter/beverage/dessert. A basket raffle and silent auction will also be available. Call 724-837-8120, Ext. 124, for pre-purchased tickets and information.

A new **Outreach Ministry for LGBTQ Catholics and their families** ~ Always God's Children ~ will sponsor a series of listening session to offer support and accompaniment. If this is an issue that concerns you or your family, please join us at the Grove in Latrobe, Thursday, September 14, 7-8:30 p.m., for their initial gathering. For more information, please contact Alecia Moss at [leashmo@hotmail.com](mailto:leashmo@hotmail.com) or 724-433-1857.

Special collection for disaster relief in Texas to be taken September 16-17 ~ A special disaster relief collection will be taken at all Masses the weekend of September 16-17 to support Catholic relief efforts in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. Contributions will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses through the USCCB. You may also contribute directly to Catholic Charities USA at [www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org).

### ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO —

- ????** + Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?  
**✝RCIA✝** + Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

**We are looking to reach out to you!** Our parish offers the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) just for you. RCIA is an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. These sessions focus on scripture, faith, and Church teachings, to help you prepare for the celebration of the Sacraments. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm and accepting environment. Participation in RCIA does not require a final commitment, that decision is made at the beginning of Lent. You have five months to explore before making a final decision! If you wish to join in the journey that begins this fall, please contact Katrina at [kcoleman@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:kcoleman@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or by calling the parish office.

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, September 2

4 p.m. Vince Capozzi by wife/family

### Sunday, September 3

8 a.m. Ronald Firmstone by Sharlane/family

10:30 a.m. John Kozlovic by Marisa Cazden

### Monday, September 4 (Labor Day)

9 a.m. **REGIONAL MASS AT ST. BENEDICT**

### Tuesday, September 5

**NO MASS**

### Wednesday, September 6

6:45 a.m. Carmella Moffa by Moffa family

### Thursday, September 7

**NO MASS**

### Friday, September 8

6:45 a.m. Joseph DeFail by Rose Zaremba

### Saturday, September 9

1:30 p.m. *Wedding:* Olivia Zowacki/Robert Lloyd

4 p.m. Jerome S. Urban by Joe/Pat Kalasky

### Sunday, September 10

8 a.m. For the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace and  
St. Benedict parishes

10:30 a.m. Monna/Kim/Elizabeth & Philip Shasko  
(Youth Mass) by John Shasko

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

8/27/17 Offertory: \$ 12,840.50  
Online: 3,875.00  
TOTAL: \$ 16,715.50

In order to meet our ordinary expenses entirely from our Sunday collection, Our Lady of Grace needs about \$18,715 per week in the regular collection. Thank you!

### *Prayers for the Sick*

Shirley Good	Chris DiCola	Robert Plisko
Rose Stabile	Mary Rose	Theresa Krunszynski
Mary Ann Burns	Kathleen Mancuso	Christopher Holnaider
		Francis Murrman

## ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

*Donahue's*

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Thank and utilize the services of our sponsors. It is through their support that this bulletin is made possible.

## Calendar of Events



### **Sunday, September 3**

10 a.m. Rosary for Life – Church  
St. Anne Calendar ticket sale after all Masses – Gathering Area

### **Wednesday, September 6**

10 a.m. Bible sharing – Shepherds Hall

### **Thursday, September 7**

10 a.m. Legion of Mary – Shepherds Hall

### **Saturday, September 9**

3 p.m. Confessions – Church  
RCIA greeting after Mass – Gathering Area

### **Sunday, September 10**

RCIA greeting after Mass – Gathering Area  
9 a.m. Faith Formation Gr. 2-5 – Shepherds Hall  
10:15 a.m. Faith Formation Gr. PK-1 – Albanese Hall  
11:30 a.m. Prayer of Intercession – Daily Chapel  
6 p.m. HSYM – Albanese Hall

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;  
Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any  
readings from the Mass “For the Blessing  
of Human Labor,” nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;  
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6  
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10;  
Mt 18:15-20

**Older children and teens in need of sacraments** ~ Our parish would like to assist families who have children and teens who, for some reason, missed receiving their First Holy Communion or Confirmation at the normative age. This includes anyone in grades 3-12 in need of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, and any teenager in grades 8-12 who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation. If your son or daughter falls into one or both of these categories, our parish would love to help them complete their initiation into our Catholic faith by receiving these sacraments. For more information, please contact Katrina Coleman at the parish office.